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1. EMBASSY WISHES TO BRING FOLLOWING REQUEST FOR TECHNICAL ADVISOR TO ATTENTION OF DEPARTMENT AND OTHER INTERESTED AGENCIES AS MOST RECENT EXAMPLE OF PROBLEM WHICH THEY NOW ACTUALLY CONSIDERING, I.E., POSSIBLE NEED FOR USG MECHANISM WHICH WILL PERMIT DEVELOPING COUNTRIES SUCH AS LIBYA, TO REQUEST ASSISTANCE FOR WHICH THEY APPARENTLY WILLING TO PAY AND WHICH IT CLEARLY IN OUR INTEREST THEY RECEIVE.

2. IBRAHIIM HASSAN, DIRECTOR NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE ORGANIZATION AUTONOMOUS AGENCY WITHIN MINISTRY LABOR AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS, ASKED EMBOFF JUNE 11 WHETHER USG COULD ASSIST HIM IN LOCATING AMERICAN TECHNICAL ADVISOR SPECIALIZED IN ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAMS. (WHICH HERE INCLUDE OPERATION HOSPITALS AND OUTPATIENT CLINICS).

3. HASSAN IS VERY MUCH AWARE THAT STRUCTURE AND PROCEDURES OF HEALTH INSURANCE ORGANIZATION MUST BE MODERNIZED, RATIONALIZED, AND SUBSTANTIALLY IMPROVED IF ORGANIZATION IS TO BE ABLE TO COPE WITH CONSTANTLY INCREASING NUMBER PARTICIPANTS AND STEADILY EXPANDING COVERAGE. HE HAS, FOR EXAMPLE, DISCUSSED POSSIBILITY MECHANIZING DRUG INVENTORY, PAYMENT BENEFITS, AND PAYROLLING WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF IBM, NCR, AND OLIVETTI AND HAS RECEIVED FROM THEM PRELIMINARY REPORTS SUGGESTING WAYS TIE MECHANIZATION HIS OPERATIONS INTO PROJECTED GOVERNMENT OWNED COMPUTER.

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4. HASSAN PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN OBTAINING AMERICAN ADMINISTRATIVE ADVISOR BECAUSE HE BELIEVES THAT AMERICANS "INVENTED", PIONEERED, AND STILL LEAD WAY IN EFFICIENT, EFFECTIVE ADMINISTRATION. HE INSISTS ADVISOR MUST BE PREPARED SPEND MINIMUM TWO YEARS WORKING WITH HIM HERE. HASSAN IS SEEKING U.S. ASSISTANCE ONLY IN LOCATING QUALIFIED EXPERT; HE STATED HEALTH INSURANCE ORGANIZATION WOULD PAY COST ADVISOR OR ALTERNATIVELY WOULD SEEK WORK OUT REIMBURSEMENT THROUGH UN ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.

5. ECON COUNSELOR WHO NOW IN BAIDA WILL FOLLOW UP WITH HASSAN TO OBTAIN MORE PRECISE INDICATION TYPE PERSON DESIRED AS SOON AS HE RETURNS TRIPOLI.
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